HOUSE No. 1085

By Mr. Linsky of Natick, petition of David Paul Linsky and others relative to protecting the privacy of public school students. Education.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PETITION OF:

David Paul Linsky Karen E. Spilka James B. Eldridge Alice Hanlon Peisch

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

AN ACT TO PROTECT STUDENTS' PRIVACY.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the
- 2 Department of Education shall destroy any record in its custody,
- 3 care or control concerning an individual public school student's
- 4 disciplinary history or conduct no later than two years after the
- 5 student's graduation from high school or upon the student's
- 6 twenty-first birthday, whichever is earlier. The Department is
- 7 authorized to maintain disciplinary and conduct records which do
- 8 not identify individual students in any manner, including by name
- 9 and/or identification number.